

## Message Text

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TAGS: MILI, NZ  
SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR END-USE CHECK: MC CASE NO. 71-74Z

REF: (A) STATE 048043, (B) 77 AUCKLAND 0481

1. NEW ZEALAND POLICE AND SECURITY INTELLIGENCE SERVICE  
REPORT THAT KELLY (ROTORUA) LTD. IS A REPUTABLE FIRM.  
COLLATERAL CHECKS OF COMMERCIAL SOURCES INDICATE THE  
SAME. SEE ALSO REF. B. WE ASSUME THAT THE WORDS "COM-  
MERCIAL MEAT HUNTERS," AS USED IN THE REFTEL, ARE USED  
GENERICALLY AND NOT AS A FIRM NAME. AT LEAST, NO FIRM  
IS REGISTERED UNDER THAT NAME IN NEW ZEALAND.

2. KELLY HAS NOT YET APPLIED TO THE NZ POLICE TO IMPORT  
EITHER AR-18'S OR AR-180'S. THIS, HOWEVER, IS NOT  
UNUSUAL AS IMPORTERS OFTEN DO NOT APPLY UNTIL THE ARMS  
ARRIVE IN NZ AND ARE HELD BY CUSTOMS. PERMITS TO  
IMPORT AR-180'S (SEMI-AUTOMATICS) FOR COMMERCIAL  
HUNTERS HAVE BEEN APPROVED FOR OTHER IMPORTERS IN THE  
PAST. HOWEVER, AR-18 AUTOMATIC WEAPONS WOULD NOT BE  
APPROVED WITHOUT NZ POLICE-APPROVED MODIFICATIONS TO  
MAKE THEM SEMI-AUTOMATIC. KELLY HAS TWICE APPLIED  
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TO IMPORT 25 AR-10 AUTOMATICS, BUT THEIR PROPOSED  
MODIFICATIONS TO CONVERT THE RIFLES TO SEMI-AUTOMATIC  
OPERATION HAVE BEEN REJECTED BY THE POLICE ARMORER  
(A NOT-UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE, WE ARE TOLD).

3. THE EMBASSY, THUS, IS SATISFIED ABOUT THE BONA FIDES  
OF THE IMPORTER, THAT THE WEAPONS ARE INTENDED FOR

COMMERCIAL HUNTING IN NZ (HELICOPTER COMMERCIAL HUNTING FOR DEER IS COMMON), AND THAT THERE IS MINIMUM LIKELIHOOD OF DIVERSION. WE RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THE APPLICATION FOR THE AR-18'S AND, IF KELLY CAN SHOW THAT THE AR-180'S ARE MODIFIABLE TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE NZ POLICE, FOR THESE WEAPONS AS WELL. THE LATTER WOULD HELP TO ENSURE THAT THE WEAPONS DO NOT ARRIVE IN NZ, ARE REFUSED ENTRY, AND RE-EXPORTED. SELDEN

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